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Redeemer Seeks Counsel from Support Community

A brain-storming session by 42 representatives of the Redeemer support community has produced a workable plan toward balancing the Redeemer College budget by the 1994/95 academic year or sooner if possible.

The plan is designed to balance the budget without harming Redeemer's mission. Objectives of the plan are to:

- make budget cuts without damaging the essential activities;
- convert the five million dollar bank debt to debt held by the supporting community (loans, RRSPs);
- help keep 80 percent or more of our students at Redeemer for their full Bachelor's program;
- increase annual donations to the College by $250,000 by 1994/95;
- increase the frequency and quality of communication to Redeemer supporters and friends; and
- expand the membership base by five percent annually.

The brain-storming session also advised a re-establishment and strengthening of the community representation network which has worked well for Redeemer in the past. It is hoped that community representatives will be able to identify all potential students in each community as well as recruit two new Redeemer College members per year.

As part of the overall budget balancing process, various arms of the Redeemer community have made definite commitments.

The President's Council plans to raise the funds needed to pay the interest on Redeemer's bank loan. They will also work toward reducing the bank debt by increasing RRSP participation and by targeting the investing community.

The board members propose to organize regional meetings to promote Redeemer College. In addition, they also made it a goal to recruit two new members for Redeemer annually.

The Redeemer Foundation representatives made plans to recruit one new member per year and to raise at least $2,000 annually per member for the Foundation. Students, faculty, and staff also each launched definite recruitment commitments.

Redeemer College welcomes your participation. To help in your community, contact the Redeemer College general office.

THE MISSION OF REDEEMER COLLEGE IS:

first, to offer a university-level liberal arts and science education which is Scripturally directed and explores the relation of faith, learning, and living from a Reformed Christian perspective; and, second, to support research and creative endeavour in this context.

Central to this mission are the following objectives: to equip students for lives of leadership and service under the Lordship of Jesus Christ; to advance knowledge through excellence in teaching and in scholarship; to be an academic community in which faculty, staff and students can develop intellectually, socially and spiritually; to reach out through academic service to society; and in all these things to glorify God.

Homecoming '92 & Tenth Anniversary Celebrations

"Praise the Lord, O my soul and forget not all his benefits—" Psalm 103:2

The anniversary committee and the alumni board are busy putting together a joyful celebration for the weekend of September 25-27 to commemorate Redeemer's tenth

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

By the time this issue of Reflections *appears in your mailbox the academic year at Redeemer College will have ended. It has not been an easy year and yet God has been good to us. Much of the year was spent reassessing our decision-making and communication processes. We are now at the stage where we believe that a lot has been accomplished and definite improvements have been made. We look forward to a new year with a fresh approach and new challenges.*

On Saturday, May 23 1992, we hope, D.V., to graduate our largest class ever. Dr. Gordon Spykman will deliver the main address. We urge our support community to attend this important event in the life of the College. Everyone is cordially invited.

During the summer a transformation takes place on campus. Members of faculty, by and large, are involved in research; the administration delves into planning; summer courses are given; and the campus is a hub of activity with facility rental to various groups and organizations.

On the weekend of September 26, 1992, we plan to host the tenth anniversary celebrations. We hope you will attend. Imagine, it has already been ten years since we started operating the College. For ten years the Lord has taken care of every need and during that time we were able to offer an excellent post-secondary education.

As I say this I am reminded of the many sacrifices you have made as our support community. Redeemer College has existed for ten years and continues to exist because you pray for us and faithfully give of your resources when we call on you. Presently we need you as never before. It becomes especially challenging to fund a university when the economy is sluggish. But God's people have never let us down, and we trust that in this time also we shall experience the caring and loving help of our support community.

We are eagerly looking forward to a new year with a new beginning. Pray for us that we may be found faithful in the awesome mandate which we have, namely to prepare men and women for a life of service in whatever area of life God leads them.

Henry R. De Bolster

Celebrations *(continued)*

anniversary. Alumni and the Redeemer support community are invited to join students, faculty and staff for a weekend of festivities.

Events range from an informal barbecue to an official alumni banquet followed by an anniversary slide presentation, speeches and a talent show. There will be an exhibition of art produced by alumni, coffeehouse entertainment by students and an open house with displays by various academic departments.

For the convenience of members, the weekend coincides with Redeemer's annual general membership meeting on September 26. Additional activities include a varsity/alumni challenge in volleyball and basketball, a bonfire, anniversary lunch, official anniversary ceremony and numerous informal opportunities to mingle.

Under the auspices of Ancaster Fellowship Christian Reformed Church, a Sunday morning service will appropriately conclude the festivities.

NEWS BRIEFS

Staley Lecture Series

Dr. Paul Marshall, senior member in political theory at the Institute for Christian Studies and visiting professor at Huntington College in Pennsylvannia delivered Redeemer's fourth annual Staley Lecture Series sponsored by the Staley Foundation.

The two-day event in mid-March focused on the increasing difficulty of religious expression in the political arena which according to Dr. Marshall is the single most important issue facing Christians in today's society.

In a series of lectures and discussions, he dealt with the threat of secularism and the reality of pluralism. There was also time for an open forum on the challenges of Canada's Constitutional Crisis.

The Staley Foundation is a private non-profit organization which makes funds available to organizations promoting Christian evangelism.

Dr. D. Koyzis (far right) and several students engage Dr. Marshall (facing out) in discussion.

Redeemer Students Look Forward to Graduate Studies

This year as many as nine Redeemer graduates will be heading for graduate school and an additional six have been accepted at various seminaries.

The nine graduates heading for graduate school have been accepted in programs ranging from English, theatre and creative writing, to biology, political science and professional programs such as library science and public administration.

Most have been accepted at several schools. "We are pleased," says Redeemer Vice President (Academic) Justin Cooper. "They have choices. They have options."

For example, Alma Bennetts in biology is weighing the pros and cons of the Universities of Toronto, Waterloo and Calgary. Michael John Kooy in English has to make up his mind between Oxford University, Carleton, Queens and the University of Toronto. Margaret Van Dyke in theatre has a choice between the University of Alberta, the University of Toronto and Hunter College in New York City. For Karen Bisschop it is library science at either McGill in Montreal, the University of Toronto or Dalhousie in Halifax.

To date 32 graduate schools accept the Redeemer Bachelor of Christian Studies (BCS) as equivalent to a Bachelor of Arts (BA) or Bachelor of Science (BSc). At this point only two schools have declined to accept the BCS; and the matter is under review at two others.

Redeemer Able to Accept Applicants Right Up to the September Registration Date

Redeemer is a privately funded university college, so it does not come under the same application procedure as government-funded universities. For this reason and because Redeemer College has a comparatively low student-faculty ratio, it is able to accept student applications right up to the final registration date in September.

To be considered a student must have successfully completed the Ontario Secondary School Diploma or equivalent with a minimum average of 60 percent and the proper advanced level courses including six Ontario Academic Courses.

Coach Ralph Luimes, Captain Steve DeBoer, and President Henry De Bolster with NCHL championship trophy.

Hockey Champions, Again!

For the third time in four years the Redeemer Royals Hockey team took the Niagara Christian Hockey League (NCHL) championship. They won the final in a tightly contested game against the first-place Cambridge Knights.

Coach Ralph Luimes judges this year's Royals as one of the strongest, best-skilled teams Redeemer has ever had. "Some of the players would be quite capable at a Junior Hockey level."

Next year, in a step toward achieving an overall higher calibre of competition, the Royals plan to move out of the NCHL and into a season of games and exhibition tournaments to be played across Ontario against teams from the broader Christian community. If you know of a team interested in challenging the Royals, coach Luimes would like to hear from you.

Art,

The Harvest, *mixed media sculpture (1992) by Annette Van Geest.*

Above and right: Conversion of Saint Paul, *oil on canvas, by Judy DeHaan.*

Music and Theatre

"Introspectio *involves a series of works challenging people to look within, to examine their thoughts and feelings and to discover their true self."*

Annette Van Geest

The artists (left to right): art majors, Judy DeHaan and Annette Van Geest.

BELOW: Yvonne Horlings in The Playful Fool, *a one-woman play written and performed by Yvonne.*

The Redeemer College Choir toured south eastern Ontario and parts of Quebec during reading break.

A season in the arts

Crimes of the Heart: *Laura Babcock as Lenny puts a candle on a cookie and sings "Happy Birthday to Me."*

Organ and Flute Recital performed by Robert Boer and Debra Dumouchel.

Cast and crew of the main stage theatre production, Crimes of the Heart *by Beth Henley, directed by Simon duToit.*

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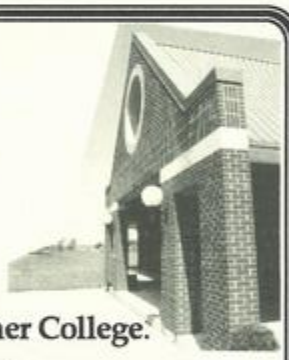

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COMING EVENTS

May 23 - *Graduation.* Witness the graduation of Redeemer's seventh graduating class. Dr. Gordon Spykman is scheduled to speak on "Kingdoms in Conflict." 2:00 p.m.

June 1-5 - *Milk & Honey Summer Festival.* Enjoy a vacation with a difference. Theme: The Seasons of our Lives. See ad on this page.

June 2 - *Spring Organ Concert.* An evening of classical music featuring William Wright on the organ and Lawrence Cherney, oboe. Tickets $10 ($8 for seniors and students). 8:00 p.m.

August 11-15 - *An International Conference on Science and Belief* organized by the Pascal Centre. This five-day research conference will focus on the relationship between Christian belief and the natural sciences. For information and registration, call Lynda Cockroft at (416)648-2131.

September 7 - *Registration Day* for 1992/93 year.

September 25-27 - *Redeemer's 10th Anniversary Celebrations & Homecoming.* "Praise the Lord all my soul and forget not all His benefits." (Ps. 103:2). Events include a barbecue, talent night, open house, alumni banquet and special church service. ➡

FACULTY UPDATE

David Benner has been appointed to the Board of Advisors of the *Institute of Clinical Theology* of Regent University, Virginia Beach, Virginia. He published "The psychological assessment of young offenders" in the *Report on Research*, (Hamilton-Wentworth Department of Public Health Services) in April 1992; and presented, "Helping Friends in Emotional Pain" at Smithville District Christian High School in March 1992; a paper, "On Being a Christian Psychotherapist" to the Conference on Psychotherapy and Christianity, St. Petersburg, Florida in March 1992; a keynote address, "The Role of Forgiveness in Psychotherapy" to the North American Association of Christians in Social Work in Hamilton in April 1992; and "The role of Basic Personality Inventory in Juvenile Forensic Evaluations" to the Research-In-Progress Rounds of the Faculty of Health Sciences (Department of Public Health Services) at McMaster University in April 1992.

John Byl published "A handy Tournament Reference Guide" in *Strategies*, Professional Practice, January 1992; and "A round robin pyramid" in *NIRSA Journal*, Winter 1992. His monthly sports column, "Reflexion" in *Calvinist Contact* included "Lust and professional sport" (December 20, 1991); "Winter Olympics - enjoyment of games honouring Zeus?" (January 24, 1992); "Bodily exercise profits women too!" (February 21, 1992); and "Salaries in the temple of baseball" (March 20, 1992).

On April 28, John Byl successfully defended his Ph.D. dissertation "The Margaret Eaton School, 1901-1942: Women's Education in Elocution, Drama and Physical Education" at the State University of New York in Buffalo. Congratulations Dr. John Byl.

David Koyzis published "Sursum Corda: Lift up your hearts!" in *Reformed Worship*, December 1991. His monthly political science column, "Across the Globe" in *Calvinist Contact* included "*Peace on Earth* means harmony with God" (December 6, 1991); "The dark side of democracy" (December 20, 1991); and "Changing globe frustrates political science teaching" (January 24, 1992).

Mary Leigh Morbey successfully defended her Ph.D. dissertation "From Canvas to Computer: Harold Cohen's Artificial Intelligence Paradigm for Art Making" at the Advanced Computing Centre for the Arts and Design at The Ohio State University in March. Congratulations, Dr. Mary Leigh Morbey.

Bert Polman published "Ye servants of God - a hymn festival to celebrate the faith and ministry of select New Testament disciples of Christ" and "What wondrous love is this" in *The Hymn*, January 1992; and "Come quickly, Lord" in the music edition of *Psalms for Today* and in the text edition of *Psalms for Today/Songs from the Psalms*, both put out by British Jubilate Hymns in 1990.

Daniel Savage organized and chaired a one-day session on "Down-sizing in Ontario University Libraries" at the annual conference of the Ontario College and University Library Association held in Toronto in February 1992.

Harry Van Belle lectured on "Changing Conceptions of the Nature-Nurture Controversy" at The King's College, in Edmonton in January 1992. He spoke on "Biblical Norms for Sexuality and Their Application" at a retreat for medical students sponsored by the Ontario Christian Medical and Dental Society in February 1992.

Wytse van Dijk published "Relativistic effect on the radius of model deuteron" in *Physica Scripta*, 1992. He was a co-recipient with several faculty members from McMaster University and the University of Guelph, of a NSERC equipment grant of $35,000 to acquire computing equipment for research.

Harry Van Dyke published a revised version of his colloquium paper on "Divine Judgment in History" under the title "Gods oordelen in de geschiedenis" in *Beweging* 55, 1991.

Thea van Til Rusthoven presented a lecture entitled "A Christian Approach to the Teaching of Description in the Novel" at the Christian Perspectives on Foreign Language Teaching Conference held in Seattle, Washington in April 1992.

Jeffrey A.D. Weima published "Whatever Happened to Hell" in *The Banner* February 10, 1992. He reviewed *Pauline Theology, Ministry and Society* by E. Earle Ellis in *Westminster Theological Journal* 53, 1991.

Al Wolters published "Postscript to *Partners of the Deity*" in *Calvin Theological Journal* 26, 1991; "Gustavo Gutierrez (1928-)" in *Bringing into Captivity Every Thought. Capita Selecta in the History of Christian Evaluations of Non-Christian Philosophy* edited by J. Klapwijk et al, 1991; and *Die Skepping Herwin. Bybelse grondslae vir'n Reformatoriese lewensbeskouwing*, (Afrikaans translation of *Creation Regained*, 1985) 1992.

Promotions and Tenure

Dr. Henry Brouwer, Dr. Robert MacLarkey and **Dr. John Vriend** have been promoted to Associate Professor and granted tenure. **Dr. Jitse van der Meer** has been promoted to Professor and **Dr. David Benner** has been granted tenure.

Moving On

Dr. Harry Van Belle has accepted a position at The King's College in Alberta. Dr. Van Belle has been with the Redeemer College faculty since 1982 and has made a significant contribution to Redeemer and to the Psychology Department in particular.

Jeffrey Weima has accepted a position as New Testament professor at Calvin Seminary.

Nominees to the *Board of Governors* of Redeemer College

The Board of Governors of **Redeemer College** invites the membership of the university to submit names of nominees to the Board of Governors from the following areas:

London/Sarnia
Chatham
Oshawa/Bowmanville

A brief biography of each nominee would be helpful. Please call (416)648-2131 no later than May 21, 1992.

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